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For: DEVICE WHICH EXECUTES)	Confirmation No.: 8979
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BY USING OFFLINE)	
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Sir:

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents are attached.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

The documents were cited in a Search Report issued by the European Patent Office, dated August 25, 2004, in a counterpart European application. A copy of the Search Report is attached.

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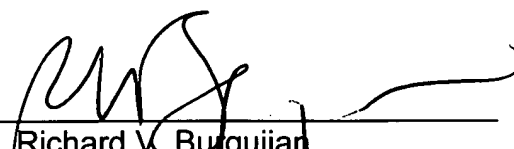
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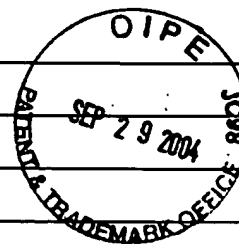
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